

Southill Primary

Headteacher's NEWS



Friday 30th June 2023



Classes for next year

I am pleased to finally be able to tell you the staffing arrangements for each class next year:

- Reception: Mrs Puddick and Mrs Kench
- Year 1: Miss England and Mrs Jones
Miss Curtis will be returning to the class before Christmas
- Year 2: Mrs Smith *the new name for Miss Knight* (Mon-Wed)
Mrs Clark (Thursday and Friday)
and Mrs Harris and Mrs Murray
- Year 3: Miss Hutton and Mrs Walkinshaw
- Year 4: Mr Prior and Mrs Aitken
- Year 5: Mrs Butler (Monday and Tuesday)
Mrs Hill (Wednesday - Friday)
with Mrs Wallis
- Year 6: Miss Savage and Mr Bell

As our Deputy Headteacher, Mrs Wood won't be in a class and will continue to work with all pupils across the school in a pastoral role. She will be available to parents as before.

The children will spend some time with their new teacher on Tuesday 4th July and will bring home a letter with more details about their new class.



Summer term is a testing time

The summer term is always a busy one, made more so by the number of statutory tests we have to carry out and report to the DfE. Just have a look at the list:

- Foundation Stage Profile assessments in Reception
- Phonics Checks in Year 1
- Reading, Writing, Maths and Science assessments in Year 2
- Multiplication Tables Checks in Year 4
- Reading and Maths tests (plus Writing and Science assessments) in Year 6

You will be pleased to know that the children took the tests in their stride and performed brilliantly. We were proud of their resilience in the face of some, at times, quite challenging work.

All statutory data will be given to you before the end of term in a summary report format. Teachers are hard at work writing these reports for all the children in the school, ready to be sent home on Monday 17th July.



Childhood accidents in the home (and how to avoid them)

Here's a fun one for you; some health and safety advice from the National Fostering Agency. It makes for interesting reading.

https://www.nfa.co.uk/story/story_category/10-common-childhood-accidents-and-how-to-avoid-them-in-your-home/



Uniform

A couple of weeks ago I sent a ping asking for your help restoring the children's uniform to its usual neat, tidy and smart appearance. Since then, all hair braids, tattoos, bracelets and nail varnish have disappeared - so thank you all for responding so quickly to my request. The children are looking great once again.

Uniform (cont)

I have had a couple of emails asking for children to wear trainers because school shoes have become too damaged to wear. I certainly agree that it's not worth buying new shoes at this stage of the term, so wearing trainers as a temporary measure is fine. Just let us know. Thank you.



Bike Bus

Our Bike Bus is proving a very popular way for children to get to school on a Friday morning - we had 26 children on the bus this morning! We have a small and dedicated band of parents helping out but we are keen to welcome more adults on the ride to help keep the children organised and to navigate junctions safely. If you are able to help - on a regular or even an occasional basis, please let me know.

Watch us come to school on our bikes this morning: <https://youtu.be/bQOPg3oFULY>



Strike Action

Next Wednesday and Friday have been designated as strike days for teachers in the National Education Union. Southill will be open as normal on both days.

That's all for now.

Have a great weekend everyone.

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Southill Primary: dates for the summer term 2023 (and beyond)

Transition afternoon	Tuesday 4th July (meet the new teacher)
New Reception Visits (2)	Wednesday 5 July 1.30-2.45pm
Summer Fayre	Friday 7 July
Rock Band Performance	Tuesday 11 th July 4.30pm
Y5 residential	Wednesday 12 July - Friday 14 July
Y6 Primary College	Wednesday 12 July - Friday 14 July
Summary progress reports to all parents	Monday 17 July
Y6 Leavers service	Tuesday 18 July 2– 3pm
Last Day of Term	Friday 21st July - Non-uniform
Inset Day School closed	Friday 1 st September
First day of Autumn Term	Monday 4 th September
Inset Days 2024	9 th February 2024 3 rd June 2024 22 nd and 23 rd July 2024

Other news and information for parents and carers



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SUMMER HOLIDAY COURSES 2023

DORSET ROADSHOW

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Summer Holiday Sports Camps

We are going to be running some Summer holiday sports camp. A perfect opportunity for your child to participate in a range of sports and multiskills.

The camps will involve a mix of tennis, multi skills and other sports such as cricket, table tennis and football. There will be coaching, individual and team skills and lots of games!

These will all be on Wednesdays.

Dates:

26th July

2nd, 9th, 16th and 23rd August

Indoors at the Wey Valley Tennis Centre at Wey Valley School.

The camps will run from 9-12pm and the cost is £15 per session.

The camp is aimed for children from aged 4 (reception school year) up to 14.

If you would like to book your son or daughter in, please email me or send me a text which includes:

Child's name

Age

Contact number

Any medical conditions we need to be aware of.

We will have a break during the session, so please bring drinks and snacks. We may go outside for a small part of the session if the weather is good and the field is dry. Payments can be made via bacs or cash.

metennis@outlook.com

#Dorset Making Music

Come and Play Jazz Day

FREE!

Sunday 16th July 2023

All young musicians are invited to join the Dorset Youth Jazz Orchestra for a fun day of playing jazz! Musicians can choose between two sessions – a morning session for experienced players and an afternoon session for less experienced players. The sessions are FREE to attend!

Session 1 (10:00am-1:00pm) is aimed at more experienced players (approximately Grade 4 standard and above) and will be led by renowned local jazz saxophonist, Terry Quinney. The session will be a fun, play-along rehearsal with the Dorset Youth Jazz Orchestra (DYJO), finishing with a mini-concert at 12:30pm to families and to those attending the afternoon session.

Session 2 (12:30pm-3:00pm) is aimed at less experienced players (approximately Grade 2-3 standard) and will be led by renowned trumpeter and educator, Sam Massey. The session will be a fun introduction to jazz ensemble playing and will begin with the opportunity for students and families to listen to the mini-concert performed by DYJO and guests.

If you are unsure which session will be best suited to your young person's ability, please drop us a line at Dorset Music Service: 01305 225770 / dorsetmusicservice@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk.

The sessions are FREE and will take place at: Charlton Marshall Village Hall, Green Close, Charlton Marshall, Blandford Forum, Dorset, DT11 9PF. <http://cmvh.org.uk>

[Please follow this link to book a place](#)

Dorset Council

CHILDREN'S SUMMER HOLIDAY CLUB

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